SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA ~ PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." - Mt 22:37

PASTOR NOTE

All Saints Day: Holy Day of Obligation. Please join us for the Holy Day Masses for All Saints Day: Tue. Oct. 31st, 5:15pm. Wed. Nov. 1st, 7am and 6pm.

Surrender Novena:

All of us can become overwhelmed with the troubles of life. Sickness, job difficulties, family problems, addictions, world events and so much more can be overwhelming. During these times we can feel almost helpless and without direction or consolation. When dealing with life's problems we often mistakenly focus on ourselves. We try to solve problems through our own powers. Even when we offer the problems in prayer, our prayers often attempt to make God conform to our ways, instead of being conformed to His ways. We easily forget to focus on Jesus and His love for us. He knows how to resolve the difficulties of life. But, we need to surrender to Him and allow Him to help us. And, He knows the best way to help us. We need to learn to trust in Him and surrender ourselves to His way. He can take care of everything!

About 60 years ago, Jesus spoke to Venerable Fr. Dolindo Ruotolo (1882-1970). Fr. Dolindo was an Italian priest who was a close friend of St. Padre Pio. Fr. Dolindo suffered greatly during his life and Jesus offered Him great consolation. Jesus taught Fr. Dolindo the Novena of Surrender. Jesus taught Fr. Dolindo a very simple prayer: "O Jesus, I surrender myself to You, take care of everything!" Jesus also offered him daily reflections for a nine-day novena. This novena provided Fr. Dolindo great consolation and empowered him to face the difficulties of life. This novena has proven to be a very powerful prayer. Through this novena we surrender ourselves to Jesus who has the power and desire to assist us. This prayer melts away anxiety, worry, fear, and uncertainty. Through this novena we learn to surrender our problems to Jesus and allow His power and loving presence to resolve the difficulties.

I invite our parish to join together in praying the Novena of Surrender. I encourage you to join me in praying the Novena of Surrender. It takes only about five minutes each day. On Sunday, October 29th, I will send out a flocknote that explains the novena in greater detail. We will begin the Novena of Surrender on Monday, October 30th and continue through Tuesday, November 7th. I will send out a flocknote each day with the prayers and reflections. I have also placed Novena pamphlets near the doors of the church.

I encourage you to take five minutes each day and offer this powerful Novena. I hope that this novena will bring you tremendous comfort and consolation. I pray that we will learn to surrender to Jesus. He wants to take care of everything in our life.

The Spiritual Life: Excerpt from The Spiritual Life by Adolphe Tanquerey, Desclee and Co., Belgium, 1951.

General Summary, Part II.

In order to correspond to God's loving kindness, we give ourselves entirely to Him, fostering that life so freely bestowed. We develop it by struggling against the concupiscence that remains in us; by eliciting supernatural acts which beside meriting an increase of divine life cause us to acquire good habits, that is virtues; and by receiving the Sacraments, which add to our merits a sanctifying power that comes from God Himself.

The very essence of perfection is the love of God unto the immolation of self. To fight and annihilate within us the old Adam, that the new Adam, Jesus Christ, may live in us, is the task before us. In pursuing this work, that is, in making use of the means of perfection, we tend constantly toward God through Jesus Christ.

The desire for perfection is, fundamentally, but the generous answer of the soul to God's tender love. Such a desire brings us to the knowledge and the love of Him Who is all love, "God is love;" to a knowledge of self, that we may all the more forcibly feel the need we have of God and may entrust ourselves into His merciful arms. This love is shown by a conformity, to the full extent of our powers, to the will of God as manifested by His laws and His counsels, as made known by the events of life, propitious or adverse, all of which helps us to love God the more. This love is, likewise, shown by prayer which becoming habitual constantly elevates the soul toward God. Even the exterior means lead us to God, for spiritual direction, a rule of life, and spiritual reading are calculated to bring us into compliance with His will, whilst the relations by which we are brought into contact with others in whom we see a reflection of the divine perfections bring us to Him Who is the Source and Center of all things. Since in the employment of all these means we constantly have before our eyes Jesus, our Model, our Co-worker, our Life, we are transformed into Him, into true Christians, for a true Christian is another Christ.

To live wholly unto God in Christ Jesus, in such wise, that the Spirit of His Son may enter into our inmost soul. Like St. Paul, we may say: "I live, now not I: but Christ lives in me."

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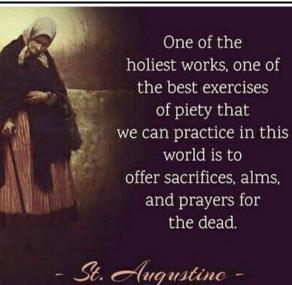




Prayer for All Souls Loving God, we remember now in prayer our dearly departed. May they rest in peace with you and experience the eternal joy of heaven. Heal our grief, merciful Lord, strengthen our hope that we, too, will one day share in the resurrection of your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. -Amen.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 30 Weekday in Ordinary Time +Sandy Thomson by Amie Neiman 7:00am Tuesday, October 31 Vigil of Solemnity of All Saints *5:15pm + Dennis O'Brien by Bob & Marcia Hartwig 4-5:00pm Holy Hour Wednesday, November 1 Solemnity of All Saints *7:00am +Christine Jordan Kalil by Corcoran Cousins *6:00pm People of the Parish Thursday, November 2 All Souls' Day 5:15pm +Cory Stocking by Barbara & Marjorie Bass 4-5:00pm Holy Hour Friday, November 3 First Friday +Stevie Puhr by Leo & Susanna Prushinski 7:00am Saturday, November 4 First Saturday Devotion; Vigil of the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:00am +Bill Strunk by Paul & Bridgette Castelein Angie Colby Miller by the O'Neill kids 4:00pm on behalf of Karen O'Neill Sunday, November 5 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30am +Dorothy Haas by Tom & Rita Tracey 9:00am +Shirley Balensiefen by Sally Donnelly 10:30am People of the Parish *Mass for Solemnity of All Saints—Holy Day of Obligation



Mass Intentions: Beginning October 30th, you may contact the Parish Office and schedule up to two Masses for the 2024 calendar. As a reminder, additional Masses may be requested but you may only request two specific dates per year. The additional Masses will be recorded in the Mass Intention Book and scheduled at a future date.

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4:00 pm: Saturday, November 4 Altar Servers: Gabby & Gretchen Carden EMHC: Lynn Delaney, David Lawrence, Tim Smith Lectors: Sophia Oester Sacristan: Julie Hassler Ushers: Dan & Cynthia Tracy

7:30 am: Sunday, November 5 Altar Servers: *Servers needed, please check in at Sacristy* EMHC: Mary Beth Crowe, Rita Tracey Lectors: Mary Murphy Sacristan: Joann Bowman Ushers: Gary Blessman, Dennis Thompson, Tom Murphy

9:00 am: Sunday, November 5 Altar Servers: Elizabeth Keutzer, Dominic Vasquez EMHC: Cindy Behrends, Linda McCabe Camera Operator: Marty Makransky Lectors: Herb Rhees Sacristan: Quint Quiram Ushers: Dave & Judy Moore, Tom Giehl

10:30 am: Sunday, November 5 Altar Servers: Anna Ellis, Anaisabela Ramirez-Tz EMHC: Lynn Delaney, Mandy Robinson Lectors: David Roden Sacristan: Mandy Robinson Ushers: Ken Lough, Pat Mason

EMHC Homebound Cindy Behrends 9/S Linda McCabe 9/N

EMHC for Nursing Homes Mary Beth Crowe—Liberty Hawthorne; Colleen Harmon— Aperion; Paula Lough—Greenfield; Rita Tracey - Liberty



6:30pm - 8:30pm
9. Sour newly renovated learning space
9. Meet our faculty and staff
9. Spack with current students
9. Check out our sports and clubs
9. Check out our catholic, college prepartory curriculum
We hope to see you there!
See why Saint Bede is WHERE YOU BELONG!!!

815-250-0279

ST. LOUIS PARISH SCHEDULE

MASS SCHEDULE MON,WED, FRI TUE, THR SAT SUN

7:00 AM 5:15 PM 4:00 PM 7:30, *9:00, 10:30 AM

First Saturday Devotion 7:00 AM

*SUN 9:00AM Live-streamed on YouTube & FaceBook (when a volunteer camera operator is available)

RECONCILIATION

 TUE, THR
 4:00—4:50 PM

 SAT
 3-3:45 PM

Or, by appointment. Call or email Msgr. Kruse to make an appointment. In order to maintain privacy, he will be in the confessional a few moments before the arranged time. 309-634-5822| jameskruse1996@gmail.com

HOLY HOUR

TUE, THR 4:00 PM

PRIVATE PRAYER: The Chapel is open for Private Prayer— Contact the Parish Office for access code.

STEWARSHIP

Church Monetary Support Through October 22, 2023

Amount Budgeted	\$	6,750.00
Amount Received	<u>\$</u>	<u>5,612.00</u>
Amount Over (Under)	(\$	1,138.00)
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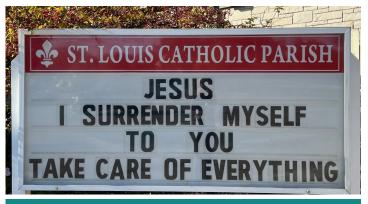
Amount needed to date:\$ 114,750.00Amount Received to date:\$ 115,480.00Over/(Under) budget to date:\$ 730.00

Readings for the week of October 29

Sunday, Ex2220-26/Ps 182-3, 34, 47, 51 (2)/1 Thes 15c-10/Mt 22:3440 Monday.Rom 8:12-17/Ps 682 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17 Tuesday.Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 13:18-21 Wednesday.Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a Thursday.Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30 Friday.Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6 Saturday.Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11 Next Sunday.Mal 1:14b—22b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/1 Thes 27b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

The Glimmer of Comfort Grief Support Group will meet on **Tuesday, November 7 from 1 - 3 pm at 521 S. First Street,** Princeton. Women who have lost a child (children) due to an illness, suicide, accident, addiction or miscarriage are welcome. This gathering affords the fellowship, support and understanding of other women who know the grief involved in losing a child. The door is always open. Please, if you know someone who could use this kind of help, please pass this information on to that woman. Questions? - Call Jeanie Gelsomino at (815) 866-6571 Thank you

Please join the IV Cursillo Community for an evening of Mass, food and fellowship at our November Ultreya. Saturday, November 11, 2023, St. Mary's Catholic Church, 207 W. 3rd South St., Wenona, IL 61377. Mass begins at 4 PM. Potluck and program to follow in the parish hall. MC- Adam Ford. Speaker- Mary Kunkel.



MAGI BABY CHEST



Our next distribution is Saturday, November 4th, 9AM to noon!

High need items: baby bottles, diapers (size 5, 6, and 7), winter coats (sizes 12 mo - 4T), baby laundry detergent, baby lotion/wash, infant medicine (tylenol, ibuprofen, orajel etc..),

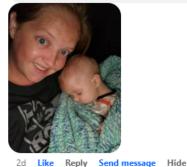
enfamil (purple can) formula, kids vitamins, sippy cups, dish soap, fall clothing sizes (6 mo - 4T), warm baby blankets, pacifiers, high chairs, baby gates, and toddler booster seats. We also need gently used clothing boys & girls (sizes 12 months - 4T).

*Please note for our December distribution, we will start collecting child/toy nativity sets along with children's toys and winter coats. The nativity sets were a big hit last Christmas - we gave out 13!

See a recent Facebook post from a lovely family who attends the MBC. Thank you to all our talented crafty ladies!



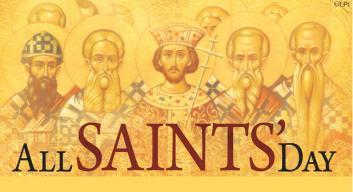
Jayme Reed We love the handmade items they are always my favorite! This is Ruger all snuggled up with one of his favorite blankets we got in September!



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The monthly Knights of Columbus meeting is scheduled for **Monday**, **November 6th** with dinner at 6:30, meeting to begin at 7:00. Current members please join us in Harkrader Hall for food and fellowship. If you are a Catholic man age 18 or older and are interested in joining the Knights, or just want more information, feel free to join us for dinner this Monday or contact Bob Schabow at 815-303-8701.



Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass Tuesday, October 31st - 5:15pm Wednesday, November 1st - 7:00am & 6pm

Prayer for All Saints Day

Dear God, thank you for the example of the Saints. I desire to join in their company, worshiping you forever in Heaven. Please help me follow their footsteps, and yours, Jesus Christ. Please help me to conform myself to Your image, seeking Your will in all things, as the Saints did. Please help me to devote myself, and all that I do, to Your glory, and to the service of my neighbors. Amen.



First Saturday Devotion

In reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary for the salvation of souls and peace in the world Saturday, November 4th 7am

WINE AND CHEESE PARTY HARKRADER HALL SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4TH 6:30PM

Appetizers, wine, beer and soda will be provided.

(must be 21 or older to attend)



Please join us for the next Catholic Forum on <u>Sunday, November 5th at</u> <u>6:30pm</u> at Harkrader Hall. Everyone is invited to meet for a Question/Answer session about any faith topic. Individuals ask their questions and Msgr. Kruse attempts to provide an answer.

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, November 1st for All Saints Day.